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1. COMPLETED PROJECTS
(June 25, 1951 - July 2, 1951)

THE SITUATION IN THE FAR EAST
(NSC Action No 499)

NSC 107/2 THE POSITION OF THE UNITED STATES WITH RESPECT TO
IRAN
(NSC Action No. 500)

NSC 72/6 UNITED STATES POLICY TOWARD SPAIN
(NSC Action No 501)

NSC 56/2 UNITED STATES POLICY TOWARD INTER-AMERICAN MILITARY
COLLABORATION
(Progress Report, dated June 12, 1951, by the Under
Secretary of State, on NSC 56/2. NSC Action
No. 502)

2. PROJECTS UNDER CONSIDERATION BY THE NSC

A. NSC MEETING

At the direction of the President, the regular Council meeting scheduled for July 4 has been cancelled.

B. ITEMS UNDER CONSIDERATION BY MEMORANDUM ACTION

ELIGIBILITY OF FOREIGN REPRESENTATIVES TO RECEIVE CLASSIFIED INFORMATION

(Memo for NSC from Executive Secretary, same subject, dated June 14, 1951)

Memorandum by the Chairman, Interdepartmental Committee on Internal Security (ICIS) and attached draft Presidential directive together with a report and proposed regulations on the subject, were transmitted by the reference memo for consideration by the Council, the Secretary of the Treasury, the Attorney General, the Director of Defense Mobilization and the Chairman, Atomic Energy Commission. Approved by ODM, June 19; by Justice, June 21; by State, June 28. Awaiting action by others concerned.

NSC DETERMINATIONS UNDER SECTION 1302, PUBLIC LAW 45 (THIRD SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATION ACT, 1951 (NSC DETERMINATION NO. 4))

(Memo for NSC from Acting Executive Secretary, same subject, dated June 27, 1951)

Draft report on trade between certain Latin American republics and the Soviet Bloc, prepared by the Special Committee on East-West Trade in accordance with the "Instructions" contained in NSC Determination No. 1, submitted by the reference memo for consideration by the Council, the Secretaries of the Treasury and Commerce, the Director of Defense Mobilization, the Economic Cooperation Administrator, and the Chairman, Export-Import Bank. Awaiting action by all concerned. (See same subject, Section 3-C)

NSC DETERMINATIONS UNDER SECTION 1302, PUBLIC LAW 45 (THIRD SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATION ACT, 1951 (NSC DETERMINATION NO. 5)

(Memo for NSC from Acting Executive Secretary, same subject, dated June 27, 1951))

Draft report on trade between India and the Soviet Bloc, prepared by the Special Committee on East-West Trade in accordance with the "Instructions" contained in NSC Determination No. 1, submitted by the reference memo for consideration by the National Security Council, the Secretaries of the Treasury and Commerce, the Director of Defense Mobilization, the Economic Cooperation Administrator, and the Chairman, Export-Import Bank. Awaiting action by all concerned. (See same subject, Section 3-C)

C. ITEMS AWAITING SUBSEQUENT NSC CONSIDERATION

CONGRESSIONAL PUBLICATION OF INFORMATION OF ADVANTAGE TO FOREIGN GOVERNMENTS

(Memos for NSC from Executive Secretary, same subject, dated May 16, and June 15, 1951; NSC Action No. 478)

Memorandum on the subject by the NSC Representative on Internal Security, transmitted by the reference memo of May 16, was discussed at the 92nd NSC Meeting. The Council directed the Senior NSC Staff, by the reference action, with the assistance of the Interdepartmental Committee on Internal Security (ICIS), to prepare recommendations on the subject for Council consideration in the light of the discussion.

Recommendations by the Senior NSC Staff, prepared with the assistance of representatives of the White House Staff and ICIS, submitted the reference memo of June 15 for consideration by the Council, the Secretary of the Treasury, the Attorney General and the Director of Defense Mobilization. Tentatively scheduled for consideration at the Council meeting on July 11.

MINIMUM STANDARDS FOR THE HANDLING AND TRANSMISSION OF CLASSIFIED INFORMATION

(Memos for NSC from Executive Secretary, same subject, dated January 2 and June 19, 1951)

Redraft of the Executive Order attached to the reference memo dated January 2, prepared by members of the White House Staff and the Bureau of the Budget, referred back at the direction of the President by the reference memo dated June 19 for reconsideration

MINIMUM STANDARDS FOR THE HANDLING AND TRANSMISSION OF CLASSIFIED INFORMATION (Cont'd)

by the NSC. The Attorney General, the Secretary of Commerce, and the Chairman, Atomic Energy Commission have been invited to participate with the Council, the Secretary of the Treasury and the Director of Defense Mobilization in reconsideration of this subject. Tentatively scheduled for concurrent consideration at the Council meeting on July 11 concurrently with the project below.

REGULATIONS ESTABLISHING MINIMUM STANDARDS FOR SECURITY CLEARANCE FOR ACCESS TO CLASSIFIED INFORMATION IN THE EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENTS AND AGENCIES OF THE UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

(Memo for NSC from Executive Secretary, same subject, dated June 20, 1951)

Memorandum by the Chairman, Interdepartmental Committee on Internal Security (ICIS) and its attached draft Executive Order on the subject, transmitted by the reference memo for Council consideration. The Attorney General, the Secretary of Commerce, the Chairman, Atomic Energy Commission and the Chairman, Civil Service Commission have been invited to participate with the Council, the Secretary of the Treasury and the Director of Defense Mobilization in the consideration of this subject. Tentatively scheduled for consideration at the Council meeting on July 11 concurrently with the above project.

3. CURRENT NSC STAFF PROJECTS

A. SENIOR NSC STAFF

THE EASTERN MEDITERRANEAN AND MIDDLE EAST

PRIORITY PROJECT

(Memo for Senior NSC Staff from Executive Secretary, same subject, dated December 12, 1950; NIE-14 and 26)

Memorandum by the Senior State Member on the subject transmitted by the reference memo and considered by the Senior Staff on December 29, when it was agreed that an initial draft report should be prepared by State and that CIA should furnish an intelligence estimate of local attitudes and conditions which affect protection of our interests and the realization of our objectives. On February 23 the Senior NSC Staff agreed that this project should be completed as a matter of priority. CIA estimate circulated as NIE-26. Awaiting initial draft report from State. (See also project on Iran in Section 1)

CONDITIONS FOR A PEACEFUL SETTLEMENT
WITH THE USSR

PRIORITY PROJECT

(Records of Senior NSC Staff Meeting, February 23 and May 24; NSC 79; Memo for NSC from Executive Secretary subject: "United States and Allied Objectives in the Event of Global War", dated September 6, 1950)

On February 23 the Senior NSC Staff agreed that the NSC 79 project on United States and allied war objectives should be completed in two sections and that the section on the above subject, including a plan for reduction and regulation of armaments and armed forces, should be completed as a matter of priority. On May 24 the Senior Staff agreed that the completion of this project would provide an important background for obtaining popular support for U. S. national security policies. Awaiting report by the State, Defense and JCS members. (See also related projects below)

UNITED STATES AND ALLIED WAR OBJECTIVES IN THE EVENT OF GLOBAL WAR

(NSC 79; Memo for NSC from Executive Secretary, same subject, dated September 6, 1950)

JCS memo (NSC 79) circulated for Council information and referred to the Staff for use in the preparation of a report. The Senior Staff designated an ad hoc group to draft a report to include both a statement of war objectives in the event of global war, and such related questions as a statement of the conditions that the U. S. would be willing to accept for a peaceful settlement with the USSR and its satellites. At the initial meeting of the ad hoc group under the chairmanship of the State member on October 6, the form and content of a response to the problems posed by NSC 79 were discussed and agreed upon.

On February 23 the Senior Staff agreed that this project should be divided as follows: (1) a statement of U. S. and allied war objectives in the event of a global war; and (2) a statement of the conditions the U. S. would be willing to accept for a peaceful settlement with the USSR, including a plan for the reduction and regulation of armaments and armed forces. Awaiting initial draft by the State Policy Planning Staff of the project listed under (1) above. (See also related projects above and below.)

UNITED STATES OBJECTIVES AND PROGRAMS FOR NATIONAL SECURITY
(NSC Actions Nos. 393 and 487 a; Memo for NSC from Executive Secretary, same subject, dated June 1, 1951; Memo for NSC from Executive Secretary, subject: "Review of the Current World Situation and Ability of the Force Being Maintained to Meet United States Commitments", dated April 26, 1951)

By the reference NSC Action the Council directed the Senior NSC Staff to prepare, with the assistance of appropriate executive departments and agencies, the following reports for Council consideration: (1) A review of the status of the programs described in NSC 68/4, including an analysis of any difficulties which may be impeding or preventing their successful execution; and (2) Recommendations regarding any revisions or modifications of the policies and programs contained in NSC 68/4.

On June 14 the Senior NSC Staff designated a Steering Committee, composed of the Senior State, Defense and ODM Members, to coordinate the preparation of reports called for by NSC Action No. 487-a.

On June 21 the Steering Committee on NSC 68 agreed upon a procedure for preparation of the reports called for by NSC Action No. 487-a and assigned responsibility for preparation of outline notes and oral presentations in connection with a review of the status of the programs in NSC 68/4, as follows:

1. The Military and Mobilization Programs - Defense and ODM
2. Foreign Military and Economic Assistance - ISAC
3. The Civil Defense Program - Federal Civil Defense Administration
4. The Stockpiling Program - Defense and ODM
5. The Information Program - State
6. Intelligence and Related Activities - CIA
7. Internal Security - ICIS and IIC

It was also agreed that the Senior State Member, with the assistance of representatives from Defense and ODM, should prepare an analysis of changes in the world situation since the preparation of NSC 68 affecting United States objectives and programs for national security. Awaiting report from State and oral presentations as assigned above. (See related projects above and below).

UNITED STATES OBJECTIVES AND PROGRAMS FOR NATIONAL SECURITY
(NSC 68 Series; Annex No. 8, Long-term Political and Economic Framework)

Awaiting revision of Annex No. 8 by State. (See also related projects above.)

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PROPOSED NSC STUDY OF USE OF CIVILIAN MANPOWER OF NON-SOVIET NATIONS FOR PRODUCTION OF GOODS AND SERVICES

(Memo for Senior NSC Staff from Executive Secretary, subject: "Proposed NSC Study of Use of Foreign Manpower for Production", dated March 29, 1951; Memo for Senior NSC Staff from Executive Secretary, same subject, dated April 16, 1951)

Memos by the Acting Senior NSRB Member and by the Senior ODM Member, transmitted by the reference memos of March 29 and April 16, respectively, were considered by the Senior Staff on April 17. It was agreed that ODM should undertake the preparation of a report on the subject for consideration by the NSC Staff, along the lines proposed by ODM in the report attached to the reference memo of April 19. The Staff further agreed to the inclusion of NSRB and Mr. Harriman's Office among the agencies to be consulted by ODM. Awaiting report from Senior ODM Member. (See related project in Section 3-B).

THE POSITION OF THE UNITED STATES WITH RESPECT TO INDOCHINA
(NSC 64/1; Memo for Senior NSC Staff from Executive Secretary, same subject, dated January 4, 1951)

At the request of the Secretary of Defense the views of the JCS on the subject (NSC 64/1) were circulated for Council information and referred to the NSC Staff for use in the preparation of a report for Council consideration. On December 27, the Senior Staff directed the Staff Assistants to prepare, as a matter of urgency, a draft report on the immediate steps the United States should take to meet the critical situation in Indochina. Draft report by Staff Assistants submitted to Senior Staff by the reference memo. On January 8, the Senior Staff discussed the subject in the light of the importance of Indochina to the security of Southeast Asia and the security of the United States. To be considered further at a later Senior Staff meeting.

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B. NSC STAFF ASSISTANTS

THE SAFETY OF THE AMERICAN CIVILIAN POPULATION IN GERMANY AND JAPAN
IN THE EVENT OF HOSTILITIES
(NSC 106)

Letter by the Secretary of Defense to the President on the subject, and the President's reply, referred by the President to the Council, circulated as NSC 106 for Council information, and referred to the Senior Staff for preparation of recommendations on the subject for consideration by the Council, the Secretary of the Treasury, the Director of Defense Mobilization, and the Economic Cooperation Administrator at an early Council meeting.

On March 15 the Senior Staff discussed the reference report and referred it to the Staff Assistants for use in the preparation of a draft report for consideration by the Senior Staff. Initial draft in preparation by ad hoc group of Staff Assistants with the advice and assistance of a special group from the Defense Department. Initial draft from ad hoc group of Staff Assistants circulated June 26 for consideration by the Staff Assistants at an early meeting.

PROPOSED TRANSFER OF THE POINT IV PROGRAM FROM THE DEPARTMENT OF STATE TO THE ECONOMIC COOPERATION ADMINISTRATION

(NSC 110; Memo for Senior NSC Staff from Executive Secretary, same subject, dated June 18, 1951)

Memorandum on the subject from the Bureau of the Budget (NSC 110) was referred by the President to the NSC with the request that the Senior NSC Staff prepare a recommendation on the subject for Council consideration as advice to the President. At the direction of the President, the Secretaries of the Interior, Agriculture and Commerce, the Federal Security Administrator and the Economic Cooperation Administrator will participate in this Council project and have been requested to designate representatives to join with the Senior NSC Staff for this purpose. The President also expressed the desire that the views of the Rockefeller Committee be obtained in connection with the preparation of the above report. The following officials have been designated: Interior, Joseph C. McCaskill; Agriculture, Stanley Andrews; Commerce, R. C. Miller; FSA, Mrs. Gertrude Gates; and ECA, Alvin J. Roseman.

By the reference memo, background material on current State and ECA programs of the Point IV type has been circulated for the information of the Senior NSC Staff, augmented as indicated above, together with a copy of the Rockefeller Committee report, dated March, 1951.

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CURRENT NSC STAFF PROJECTS (Cont'd)PROPOSED TRANSFER OF THE POINT IV PROGRAM FROM THE DEPARTMENT OF STATE TO THE ECONOMIC COOPERATION ADMINISTRATION (Cont'd)

On June 28, the Senior NSC Staff, together with representatives from Interior, Agriculture, Commerce, FSA, and ECA, discussed the reference reports and agreed to refer them to the Staff Assistants, augmented by representatives of the above-mentioned agencies, to prepare a draft report to the Council for Senior Staff consideration. Awaiting report by Staff Assistants.

POSITION OF THE UNITED STATES WITH RESPECT TO SCANDINAVIA
 (Progress Report, dated November 14, 1950, on NSC 28/1 and NSC 32/1; NSC 88; Memo for Senior NSC Staff from Executive Secretary, subject: "U.S. Courses of Action in the Event the Soviets Attempt to Close the Baltic", dated March 26, 1951; Record of Senior Staff Meeting on April 3, par. 3)

On December 13 the Senior NSC Staff directed the Staff Assistants to prepare a draft revision of NSC 28/1 for consideration by the Senior Staff.

On October 17, 1950, NSC 88, "U.S. Courses of Action in the Event the Soviets Attempt to Close the Baltic", was circulated for Council information and referred to the NSC Staff for preparation of a report for Council consideration. In view of recommendations made by the Staff Assistants in the reference memo of March 26, the Senior Staff agreed on April 3 that a statement of policy and a staff study on the subject of NSC 88 should be incorporated in the draft report on "The Position of the United States With Respect to Scandinavia", and that completion of this project should be expedited. Awaiting initial draft report by State.

UNITED STATES POLICY WITH RESPECT TO BERLIN AND EASTERN GERMANY
 (NSC 89; NSC 73/4, par. 42; Memos for NSC from Executive Secretary, subject: "Additional Airlift to Support the Far East", dated September 27 and November 20, 1950; NSC Action No. 368; Memo for Senior NSC Staff from Executive Secretary, same subject, dated October 31, 1950; Memo for Senior NSC Staff from Executive Secretary, subject: "Courses of Action in the Event East Germany Imposes a Blockade in Berlin", dated February 16, 1951; Memo for Senior NSC Staff from Executive Secretary, subject: "United States Policy With Regard to a Possible New Berlin Blockade", dated March 27, 1951; NIE-4)

At its 69th Meeting, the Council noted the reference memo of September 27, and the fact that the situation presented therein would be taken into consideration in the studies on the Berlin blockade referred to in par. 42 of NSC 73/4. Memoranda on the subject by the Deputy Under Secretary of State and the Secretary of Defense were circulated for Council information as NSC 89, and

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UNITED STATES POLICY WITH RESPECT TO BERLIN AND EASTERN GERMANY
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referred to the NSC Staff for use in connection with this staff project. JCS study on airlift capabilities circulated to Senior Staff by the reference memo of October 31. Subsequent memo by the Deputy Secretary of Defense (reference memo of November 20) circulated for Council information and referred to the Staff for consideration in connection with this project. Views of the JCS on "Courses of Action in the Event East Germany Imposes a Blockade in Berlin" circulated by the reference memo of February 16 to the Senior Staff for consideration in connection with this project upon the recommendation of the Secretary of Defense. NIE-4, issued by CIA, relates to the above subject.

On February 23 the Senior Staff noted that the JCS views would be taken into account in the early completion of a draft report on "U.S. Policy With Respect to Berlin and Eastern Germany" now under preparation in the Department of State in collaboration with the Department of Defense. Report by State circulated by reference memo dated March 27, considered by the Senior Staff on April 3 and referred to the Staff Assistants for revision in the light of the discussion. Awaiting initial draft by ad hoc group of Staff Assistants.

UTILIZATION OF MANPOWER OF OTHER NATIONS FOR MILITARY PURPOSES
(NSC 108 and memo for all holders of NSC 108, dated April 24, 1951; Memo for NSC from Executive Secretary, same subject, dated May 8, 1951; NSC Action No. 472)

At the suggestion of the Senior State Member, the Senior NSC Staff on December 12 agreed to designate an ad hoc group under the chairmanship of a JCS official and with officials from State, NSRB, Mr. Harriman's Office, and CIA, to prepare a draft report on the subject.

The report by the ad hoc committee was considered and amended by the NSC Staff for submission to the NSC as NSC 108. JCS views circulated by the reference memo. At its 91st Meeting the NSC referred NSC 108 to the NSC Staff for reconsideration. On May 17 the Senior Staff referred NSC 108 to the Staff Assistants for revision in the light of the discussion.

On June 13 the Staff Assistants agreed that an initial draft on the subject of civilian manpower (see project in Section 3-A) should be completed with a view to the subsequent preparation of a report combining the civilian and military aspects of the subject for Senior Staff consideration. Review of NSC 108 for revisions which may be proposed by the departments and agencies in the light of the JCS views and other comments will proceed while awaiting the initial draft of the report on civilian manpower.

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C. OTHER CURRENT NSC STAFF PROJECTS

NSC DETERMINATIONS UNDER SECTION 1302, PUBLIC LAW 45, (THIRD SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATION ACT, 1951)

(NSC Determinations Nos. 1, 2, and 3; Memo for Special Committee, same subject, dated May 28, 1951, with copies for Senior NSC Staff; Record of Senior NSC Staff meeting on May 22, 1951, item 2; NSC Actions Nos. 479 and 494; Memos for Special Committee, same subject, dated June 20, 21 and 25, 1951)

Draft reports on trade between India and the Soviet Bloc, and between certain Latin American Republics and the Soviet Bloc, prepared by the Special Committee in accordance with the "Instructions" contained in NSC Determination No. 1, were submitted June 27 for Council consideration (See Section 2-B). Awaiting other country studies by the drafting group.

PROVISION FOR STATE INTERNAL SECURITY FORCES

(NSC 96/1 and NSC 96; NSC Action No. 409; memo for members of staff group from Executive Secretary, subject: "Provision for State Guard Forces," dated May 7, 1951)

At the request of the Secretary of Defense, NSC 96 was submitted for Council consideration. At its 77th Meeting, by the reference action, the Council agreed to request the Chairman, NSRB, to develop, in consultation with other interested agencies, a plan for the provision of essential Federal guidance and assistance to the States in organizing reserves to perform State and local security functions when the National Guard is ordered into active military service, this plan to include any necessary Federal legislation.

Report by the Chairman, NSRB, circulated for Council information as NSC 96/1 and referred to the NSC Staff for use in the preparation of a report for Council consideration. On April 12, the Senior Staff discussed NSC 96/1 and referred it to the Defense, JCS and NSRB Staff members together with officials from the Department of Justice, the Bureau of the Budget, and the Federal Civil Defense Administration, for use in the preparation of a report for Senior Staff consideration.

Draft outline, prepared by the Executive Secretary, transmitted to the above staff group by the reference memorandum, and discussed at a meeting on May 14. With some modifications, the outline was adopted as a working guide and the proposed assignments were accepted. Civil Defense drafts received on May 16; Justice, on June 2. Awaiting other drafts assigned to Defense.

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RELEASE OF INFORMATION REGARDING NEW WEAPONS

(Memo for NSC Consultants and AEC Representative, from Executive Secretary, same subject, dated July 5, 1950)

At the direction of the President, the Council and the Chairman of the Atomic Energy Commission undertook a consideration of the general problem of weapons information, including atomic weapons, in order to make appropriate recommendations to the President on the subject. A draft report, prepared by the Executive Secretary in accordance with the discussion at a meeting on June 22, 1950, has been circulated to the NSC Staff and a representative of the AEC by the reference memo. Awaiting redraft of this report by Defense.

4. OTHER CURRENT COUNCIL PROJECTSNATIONAL PETROLEUM PROGRAM
(NSC 97)

At the direction of the President, a letter from the Acting Secretary of Defense on the subject (NSC 97) was referred to the Director of Defense Mobilization to develop a national petroleum program leading to the complete supply of allied requirements, for consideration by the NSC. Awaiting report by the Director of Defense Mobilization. (See Iran project in Section 2-A)

UNITED STATES OBJECTIVES, POLICIES AND COURSES OF ACTION IN ASIA
(NSC Action No. 420-d.)

Upon consideration of NSC 101/1, on "U. S. Action to Counter Chinese Communist Aggression", the Council requested the Department of State to prepare a study of the effect upon China and other Eastern countries of continued U. S. support of Chiang Kai-shek. (NSC Action No. 420-d.) Awaiting State report.

NATIONAL PSYCHOLOGICAL WARFARE PLAN FOR GENERAL WAR

(Memo for NSC from Executive Secretary, same subject, dated May 8, 1951; NSC 59/1)

A report by the Interdepartmental Foreign Information Organization on the subject, prepared in accordance with NSC 59/1, was circulated by the reference memorandum for Council information and, at the request of the Department of State, the Secretary of Defense was requested to obtain the views of the JCS with respect thereto. Awaiting JCS views.

A PROJECT TO PROVIDE A MORE ADEQUATE BASIS FOR PLANNING FOR THE SECURITY OF THE UNITED STATES

(Memo for the NSC from Executive Secretary, same subject, dated June 5, 1951)

Memorandum by the Chairman, Interdepartmental Committee on Internal Security and its attached report by the ICIS on the subject, were transmitted by the reference memo for consideration by the NSC of the "Recommendations" contained in Part VII thereof and of the proposed National Security Council Directive. The Attorney General will be invited to participate in Council action on this subject. Prior to Council action, at the direction of the President, the views of the Director of Central Intelligence have been requested with respect to the report for concurrent consideration by the Council. Awaiting the views of the Director of Central Intelligence.

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